

Chapter 14.40

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14.40.010 Generally.

It is unlawful for any person to construct, place, set, keep or maintain any bridge, sewer, well, spill, or like obstruction, upon, in, under or along any public highway, road, street, avenue, lane, alley, trail, sidewalk or curb ramp in the city, except as designated in this chapter and coordinated with the applicable irrigation company.

14.40.020 Bridges.

Bridges over any ditch, waterway or opening across any sidewalk shall not be less than the full width of such sidewalk. Bridges over any ditch, waterway or opening across any roadway section of any highway, trail or sidewalk shall not be narrower than the full width of the roadway section. In all cases, bridges shall be set square with the road or sidewalk, and their coverings shall be made to conform to the grade of the road or sidewalk as fixed by the city. All bridges shall be of substantial material and construction, and the plans and specifications shall be approved by the department and shall be satisfactory to the city council. Bridges connecting the roadway with the sidewalk shall be made to conform with the established grade of the roadway and sidewalk.

14.40.030 Ditches and waterways.

A. All ditches, canals or waterways con-

structed across or over any sidewalk or highway shall be securely bridged or flumed; the bridges or flumes shall conform to the regulations provided in this chapter.

B. No ditch, canal or waterway shall be made or constructed across any sidewalk, curb ramp or highway except upon receiving permission from the city and except after conforming with the established grade thereof. When a change in the grade of any sidewalk, curb ramp or highway becomes necessary for the convenience of any ditch, canal or waterway, the changed grade shall be done by or at the expense of the person constructing the ditch, canal, or waterway, and shall be constructed only after receiving permission to proceed from the city or its delegated agent and shall be completed to the satisfaction of the city or its agent.

C. All ditches, canals or waterways running along any highway shall be placed at a location approved by the department.

14.40.040 Headgates.

Headgates for the control of irrigating or other water shall be placed in a location approved by the department.

14.40.050 Water mains.

Water mains for carrying water along or across any highway may be laid by permission or upon order of the city council, at a sufficient depth to keep the roadway secure, and when laid along any highway shall be located in the roadway centering on a line five feet nearer the center of the highway than the curbline as now fixed by ordinance. No excavation for laying water mains or pipes shall be made in any public highway without first obtaining the consent of the city council.

14.40.060 Duty to repair bridges and flumes.

It is unlawful for any person conveying water through or along any ditch, canal or waterway along or across any highway to permit any flume, bridge, etc., under the control of or

owned by the person to become out of repair, and to remain so after attention has been called thereto, longer than is necessary to institute the work of repairs thereon, which work shall be diligently prosecuted to completion.

14.40.070 Violations deemed obstructions.

It is the duty of the department to treat as obstructions any bridges, flumes, pipes or ditches placed or constructed in violation of this chapter.